IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

FIKE'S DAIRY, INC.,

Opposer,

V.

DAISY BRAND, INC.,

Applicant.

Opposition Number 91159632 Serial No. 76/488,157

04-12-2004

U.S. Patent & TMOfc/TM Mail Rcpt Dt. #78

APPLICANT'S ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION

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Applicant, Daisy Brand, Inc., by and through its attorneys, hereby submits its Answer in response to the Notice of Opposition filed by Opposer, Fike's Dairy, Inc., as follows:

To the extent the introductory paragraph is construed to assert any substantive allegations to which a response is necessary, Applicant denies any such allegations.

Regarding the numbered paragraphs set forth in the Notice of Opposition, Applicant asserts:

- 1. With respect to paragraph 1, Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph 1 and accordingly denies those allegations of paragraph 1.
- 2. With respect to paragraph 2, Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph 2 and accordingly denies those allegations of paragraph 2.
- 3. With respect to paragraph 3, Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph 3 and accordingly denies those allegations of paragraph 3.

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- 4. With respect to paragraph 4, Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph 4 and accordingly denies those allegations of paragraph 4.
- 5. With respect to paragraph 5, Applicant lacks knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of paragraph 5 and accordingly denies those allegations of paragraph 5.
- 6. With respect to paragraph 6, Applicant admits that it seeks to register DAISY as a trademark for dairy products, namely, sour cream and cottage cheese in International Class No. 29. Applicant further admits its trademark application was filed as an intent to use. However, Applicant denies the remaining allegations as Applicant has used the mark DAISY for sour cream for more than fifteen years.
- 7. Applicant denies the allegations of paragraph 7.
- 8. Applicant denies the allegations of paragraph 8.

Applicant prays that this Opposition be dismissed, and that Applicant be granted such other relief to which it may show itself justly entitled.

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Laches

1. Upon information and belief, the rights claimed by Applicant in and to the DAISY mark have been known to Opposer for many years and the failure to challenge Applicant's rights in the DAISY mark constitutes laches that bars the present Opposition.

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Date: 4-9-04

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing APPLICANT'S ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION was mailed first-class mail, postage prepaid, to Scott A. Schleifstein, Attorney for Opposer, Cohen Silverman Rowan LLP, 360 Lexington Avenue, New York New York, on the day of April, 2004.

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing APPLICANT'S ANSWER TO NOTICE OF OPPOSITION is being deposited, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.8, with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: BOX: TTAB/NO FEE, Commissioner for Trademarks, 2900 Crystal Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3513 on this day of April, 2004.

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Our File No: 110747-9000

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing with the Patent and Trademark Office, please find the following:

- Applicant's Answer to Notice of Opposition (in triplicate); and 1.
- 2. Postcard.

It is believed that no additional fee is due. If this is incorrect, or if any other fee is necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 07-0153.

Respectfully submitted,

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